## **IN THE SUBSTITUTE SPECIFICATION:**

Page 27, please amend the paragraph beginning at line 8 as follows:

Radio frequency power is applied to the stage electrode 3 from the bias power supply 17 through transformer 29. Radio frequency current passes through the substrate 15 and the plasma, and flows to facing electrodes 2a and 2b. Since the transformer 29 is separated from or is floated with respect to the ground, almost all the radio frequency current flowing from the stage electrode 3 is fed to facing electrodes 2a and 2b, without going to any other places.

Page 28, please amend the paragraph beginning at line 13 as follows:

In this Embodiment, as shown in Figure 8, the output of the bias power supply 17 is separated from or is floated with respect to the ground and is connected through the transformer 29 to the stage electrode 3. A current circuit is provided in such a way that the current can return to the transformer from facing electrodes 2a and 2b through low pass filters 13a and 13b.